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Park Hosts Alley Independence Day Celebration

Eminence, MO- Ozark National Scenic Riverways will host the annual FREE *Alley Independence Day Celebration* at Alley Spring on Saturday, July 2, 2011, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This event commemorates the traditional picnic celebrations that were held at Alley Spring around the turn of the twentieth century when this area was the social gathering place for local families.



Bring the whole family and neighbors to listen to The Bakers, a family of musicians from Birch Tree, Missouri. The Western Grand Squares will perform lively traditional square dancing. Visitors are encouraged to join in and participate. Remember to bring a lawn chair or blanket for the entertainment.



The Bakers

Children of all ages can play with old fashioned games and toys. A picnic just wouldn't be a picnic without FREE watermelon and lemonade. Ice Cream and food will be available for purchase on the grounds from local vendors.

Alley Spring is located five miles west of Eminence, Missouri, on State Route 106. For more information, phone (573) 226-3945 between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/ozar.

Ozark National Scenic Riverways preserves the free-flowing Current and Jacks Fork Rivers, the surrounding natural resources, and the unique cultural heritage of the Ozark people.

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